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Belk retires; College shuffles top offices

VP cites family time as concern

BY CHRISTOPHER CLARK
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

After serving 16 years as Missouri Southern's vice president for academic affairs, Dr. Floyd Belk retires tomorrow.

Dr. Robert Brown, dean of the school of business administration, will replace Belk on an acting basis. During his 24-year tenure here, Belk, 65, served under three presidents. His first position with the College was director of admissions and registrar in 1966. He subsequently served as dean of student personnel services, assistant dean, and acting dean of the College. He took over his current post in 1974.

Before making a formal announcement to the faculty Aug. 16 and then to the Board of Regents the next day, Belk told College President Julio Leon of his decision. Leon waited a day before accepting the resignation to consider the circumstances.

Belk has considered retiring on more than one occasion, but remained to help the College complete important projects, he said. The upcoming visit of the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and the College's new catalog and international mission combined to keep him another year.

"We (Belk and Leon) had been talking about this for at least a couple of years, and he talked about me staying a year longer," Belk said.

Belk cited his age and a need to spend time with his family as playing roles in his retirement decision.

"There are at least two considerations when one retires and those have to be your job and your family. My family and I decided that it was a good time to retire. It's just time to devote more time to my family. We made this decision together."

Belk's resignation two weeks into the academic year has prompted



Over the
Shoulder

Dr. Floyd Belk, vice president for academic affairs (seated), and Dr. Robert Brown, dean of the school of business administration, discuss the vice presidency which Brown is to assume Sept. 1.

some to question if he is leaving for medical reasons, but Belk denies his health was a consideration.

Belk said faculty members were surprised by the announcement.

"I've been here a long time and I've established a close relationship with a number of people. I took that opportunity to thank those people for the cooperation I have received."

After he was finished speaking to the faculty Aug. 16, Belk received a standing ovation. After the meeting, word quickly spread through local media that Belk was retiring, so there was little surprise when he formally submitted his resignation to

the Regents.

Russell Smith, Board president, praised Belk's efforts in building a faculty and curriculum that are "the key components of the College."

Leon also praised Belk during the meeting.

"Throughout the years there has not been a stronger champion of the faculty," Leon said. "Many significant changes and developments have been a direct result of his leadership."

Dr. Ed Merryman, dean of the

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Brown takes position on acting basis

BY ANGIE STEVENSON
MANAGING EDITOR

Smooth transition and communication are two of the goals Dr. Robert Brown hopes to implement as he steps in as acting vice president for academic affairs.

In lieu of Dr. Floyd Belk, who retires tomorrow as vice president for academic affairs, Brown will assume the responsibility of keeping things in order. He says the future of the position is still in limbo.

"We don't know for sure yet if we will be looking for a replacement," said Brown, dean of the school of business administration. "This has all come about relatively quickly; Dr. Belk has only recently decided to retire. Any speculation of the long-term is beyond what's appropriate at this point."

Brown becomes the third dean from the school of business to move to Hearn Hall, the other two being College President Julio Leon and Dr. John Tiede, vice president for business affairs. Leon maintains this is purely coincidence.

"It never crossed my mind to say 'Go to the school of business and find someone to take the position,'" said Leon. "I think Dr. Brown has the capabilities and is going to do an excellent job."

Annetta St. Clair, associate professor of political science, sees no administrative bias toward persons in the school of business.

"When you're looking for an academic vice president, you look for strong academic credentials," she said. "His school is irrelevant if he has the necessary qualities."

St. Clair suspects that while the school of business is proud of the accomplishments of its deans, it also might be sad to keep losing them.

Brown, whose promotion becomes effective Sept. 1, said his new duties have been clearly outlined for him.

ADMINISTRATION CHANGES

■ Dr. Floyd Belk retires as vice president for academic affairs.

■ Dr. Robert Brown, dean of the school of business administration, replaces Belk.

■ James Gray, assistant dean of business administration, succeeds Brown.

■ Dr. John Tiede, vice president for business affairs, promoted to senior vice president.

"Dr. Leon wants continuity and no decrease in effort within the office," said Brown, who came to Southern in 1987. "He wants it to continue to run smoothly without interruption, so that's my charge."

In order to ensure this smooth transition, Belk has been working closely with Brown.

"Dr. Belk is a very gracious person and has given of his time to assist me so that I am completely informed concerning the work of his office."

The vice president for academic affairs is the chief academic officer. He assumes administrative responsibility for the four schools of the College, as well as the registrar's office, the library, and the continuing education, assessment, and honors programs. Brown intends to use the mission of the College as his guide.

"It is my philosophy that the administration exists to help the faculty, student body, and supporting staff to achieve their goals and that includes doing those things which facilitate the mission of the institution."

Beyond that, Brown says he intends to emphasize communication and cooperation between administration, faculty, and students.

"I believe it is important to listen," he said. "I will be a person who is available and attentive."

Brown said he will keep an "open-door" philosophy.

"People should feel free to communicate with me," he said. "In fact, I will solicit that communication."

Tiede's duties increase

BY STEPHEN MOORE
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Currently the vice president for business affairs, Dr. John Tiede has been named senior vice president.

In addition to his present duties, Tiede said his tasks will include long-range planning—now performed by College President Julio Leon.

"I'm going to be involved in some long-range planning for the president in terms of looking at different scenarios as to where we might be going over the next 10 years," Tiede said.

Leon said Tiede also will be involved in developing a plan to receive performance funding. Missouri Gov. John Ashcroft has suggested in the past that institutions meeting certain standards could be eligible for additional funding.

"As we begin to develop an international approach we are faced with several issues that are related to the state of Missouri and to our College," said Leon.

Tiede said he is excited about the future of Southern and his new role in its development.

"The institution is on the brink of some exciting times, so it's awfully exciting being involved with an institution that is on the cutting edge," he said.

While Tiede does not believe he is being prepared for the College presidency, he says he will be gaining helpful experience in his new position.

"Obviously some of the broad experience would be valuable," he said.

Technology school hires from within

Seneker takes post after national search

BY ANGIE STEVENSON
MANAGING EDITOR

After two years of nationwide searching, the school of technology has found its new assistant dean of technology, Don Seneker, on Missouri Southern's own soil.

James Maupin, technology dean, said the position had remained dormant because no suitable candidates were discovered despite national advertising.

"After examining the applications we received, it was evident that the applicants were too narrowly oriented," said Maupin. "Because the school of technology has such a variety of departments, we had been looking for someone with a broad background to fill the position."

Maupin did not forget to look close to home. Consequently, he found Seneker, the director of criminal justice administration, to fill the position as his right-hand man.

"I had explored the possibility of promoting Mr. Seneker for one year and began discussing the prospect with Dr. [Floyd] Belk (vice president for academic affairs) and [College] President [Julio] Leon," Maupin said. "Mr. Seneker is pretty familiar with most areas of the school of technology and is generally well received on campus."

Seneker, after serving 19 years in the criminal justice program, took his new position on July 1. Prior to coming to Missouri Southern, he

spent 14 years in police work, including service as chief of police in two Kansas City suburbs and as a lieutenant sheriff. He said obtaining the assistant dean's position had been a goal for some time.

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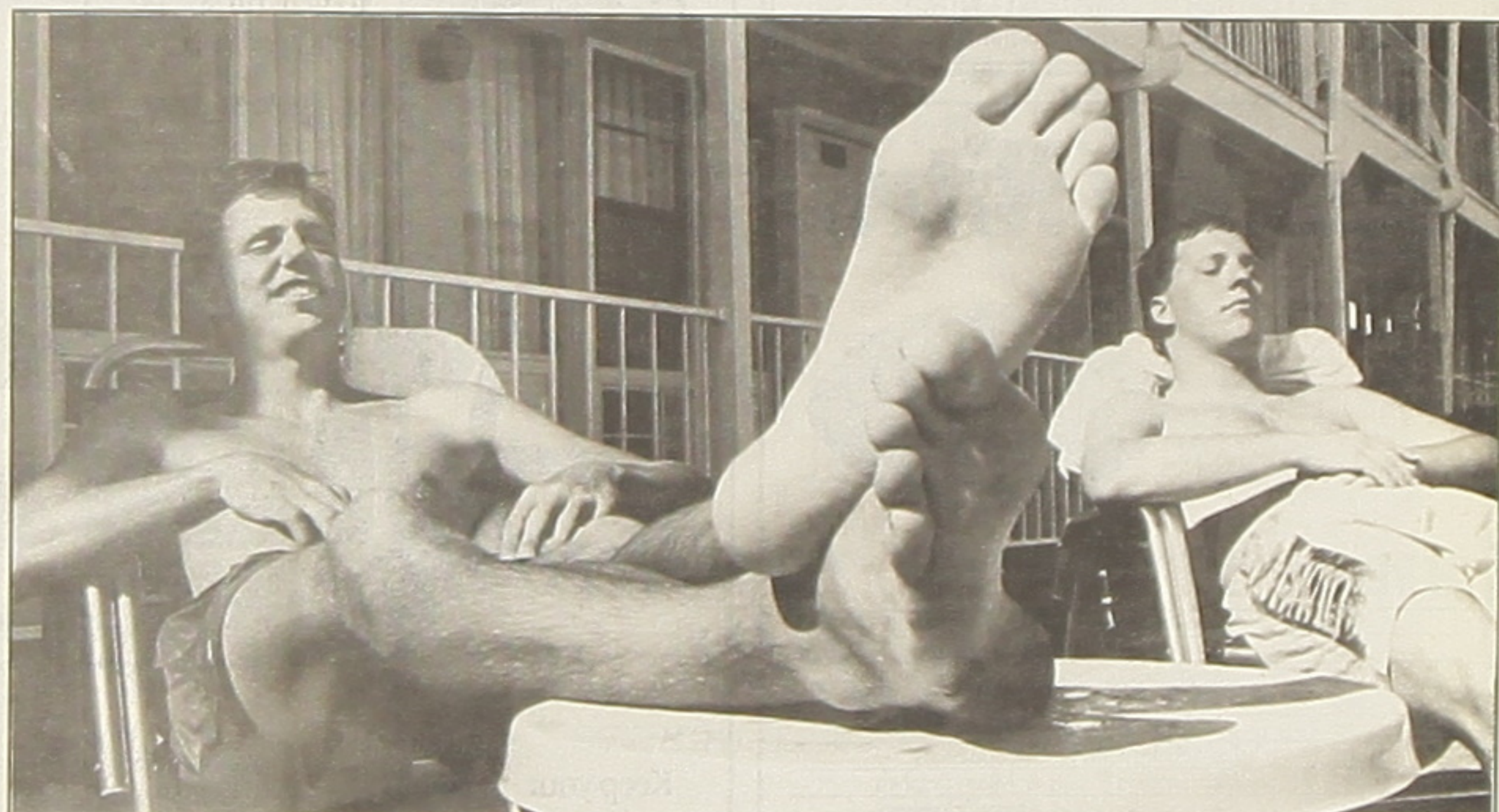
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The good life

Southern students Gary Boyer, sophomore political science major, and Jon Straub sophomore undecided, relax in the sun at the Best Western Hallmark Inn. Pending completion of a new dormitory, 32 students are residing there.

Students await finish of new residence hall

BY STEVE SAKACH
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Delays in residence hall construction have forced Missouri Southern to house 32 students in a Joplin motel since Aug. 15.

Chuck Killinger, president of Dalton-Killinger Construction Co., said the students who still remain may

move into the residence hall as early as Sept. 10.

However, Robert Beeler, director of Southern's physical plant, said he doubts that will be likely. Students may have to wait until Oct. 1.

"That (Sept. 10 estimate) is a little optimistic," Beeler said. "Walking through it and looking around, they aren't at that kind of a stage yet."

Killinger said difficulties with a

sub-contractor and heavy spring rains caused the setback.

The College was aware of the delays in April, but was waiting to see what progress the contractors would make before the start of the fall semester, said Dr. John Tiede, vice president for business affairs.

"This is something that we would obviously rather not have occur, but it has worked out," Tiede said. "The

kids have been great about it and haven't seemed to mind."

The Hallmark Inn (four miles south of the College) is housing two students per room at \$24 per day, half of the \$48 rack rate. The bill, which Tiede said the contractor will pick up, may run more than \$15,000.

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Work continues

Steve Gartin, a worker for Ozark Sheet Metal, solders an air conditioning copper pipe fitting on the new residence hall, expected to be completed by Oct. 1.

STAFF PHOTO BY MARK ANCELL

Southern modifies water flow

BY STEPHEN MOORE
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

In compliance with a state mandate, construction is underway at several campus locations to modify the water system.

Last fall, the state of Missouri issued an order requiring the installation of a back-flow preventer valve in the water system at Missouri Southern.

According to Dr. John Tiede, vice president for business affairs, construction is in progress near Kuhn Hall to enclose the valve that was recently installed there. A similar valve was installed adjacent to Taylor Auditorium.

Tiede said more valves are planned for the resident housing area, but it has not yet been decided whether one or two valves will be necessary.

The valves are installed on main water lines to prevent water from flowing backward into the city water main in the event of a problem.

According to Mike Johnson, assistant director of the physical plant, this is to guard against possible contaminants in Southern's system entering the city's system.

In the event of a problem, the valves open and discharge the flow of water onto the ground.

'Chart' adds page

In keeping with the international dimension recently added Missouri Southern's educational mission, *The Chart* is introducing a new page with this week's edition.

"Global Viewpoint," featuring expert commentary, a weekly "diary" of the planet, and foreign news services, will appear on page 5 each week.

The Los Angeles Times Syndicate will supply commentary on international events and issues through such columnists as Archbishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa, former Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega, the deputy chief of ideology of the Soviet Communist Party, and the former prime minister of Japan.

Chronicle Features of San Francisco will provide "Earthweek; A Diary of the Planet," a

map highlighting natural disasters and other developments from around the world.

The New York Times News Service will supply international news for "Global Viewpoint" via *The Economist* and the *Asahi News Service*. *The Economist* is published weekly in London for international distribution. The *Asahi News Service* provides a selection of the lead stories each day from Japan's leading English language daily newspaper.

"We're spending about \$1,500 this year to provide our readers with this information, but we feel it's a worthwhile investment," said Christopher Clark, editor-in-chief of *The Chart*. "We have a 'City News' page, a 'State News' page during the spring, and now a global page to completely inform our readership."

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"I expect that whatever cost we incur that we will pass it on to the contractor," Tiede said. "It won't cost us anything explicitly, but implicitly it does because [the shuttle driver] could be doing something else."

Students have had few complaints, though. Each room at the Hallmark Inn comes with color TV, telephone, pool access, and other amenities.

"I like the maid service the most," said Mike Poelking, a senior com-

munications major. "The commute is kind of inconvenient, but everything else is great. I'm in no hurry to leave."

Some students left the motel when openings were made available in the current residence halls.

"We've had a few students come back," said Doug Carnahan, director of student life. "The novelty was wearing off and they were tired of the drive."

Southern was offering a shuttle

service 10 times per day from 7:15 a.m. to 9 p.m., but reduced the number of trips in half because of a lack of interest from the students.

The residence hall is now awaiting completion of interior work such as cabinets, plumbing, carpeting, and air conditioning.

"We hope this is something that is not going to drag on all semester," Carnahan said.

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school of education and psychology, said Belk will be missed, but that Brown is "capable and enthusiastic" about his new position.

"I feel that he will make a positive impact on the campus," Merryman said. "I am supportive of the appointment."

Merryman feels no apprehension about having another former business dean in Hearn Hall, saying Leon "goes with what he feels."

"He (Leon) has a broader perspective on the campus than most peo-

ple," Merryman said. "I really felt he had to roll with what he saw for the position."

Leon said no national search is planned to find a permanent replacement for Belk, although he said he is "not closing the door to a search."

If a search was conducted, Leon said he would not use the College's new international mission as a blueprint for finding a new academic vice president. "That would not be a factor."

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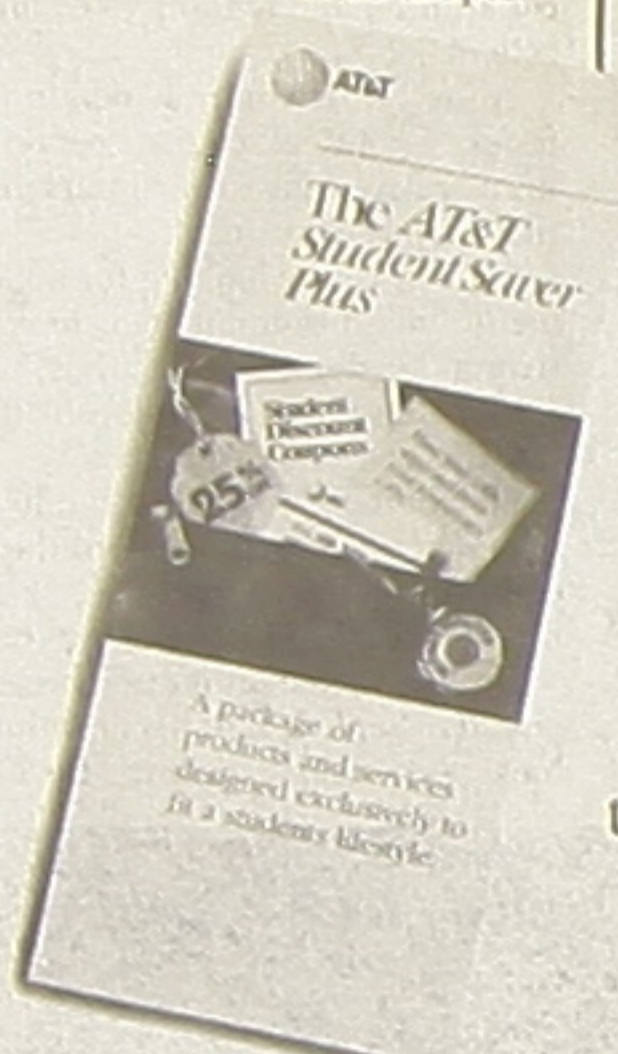
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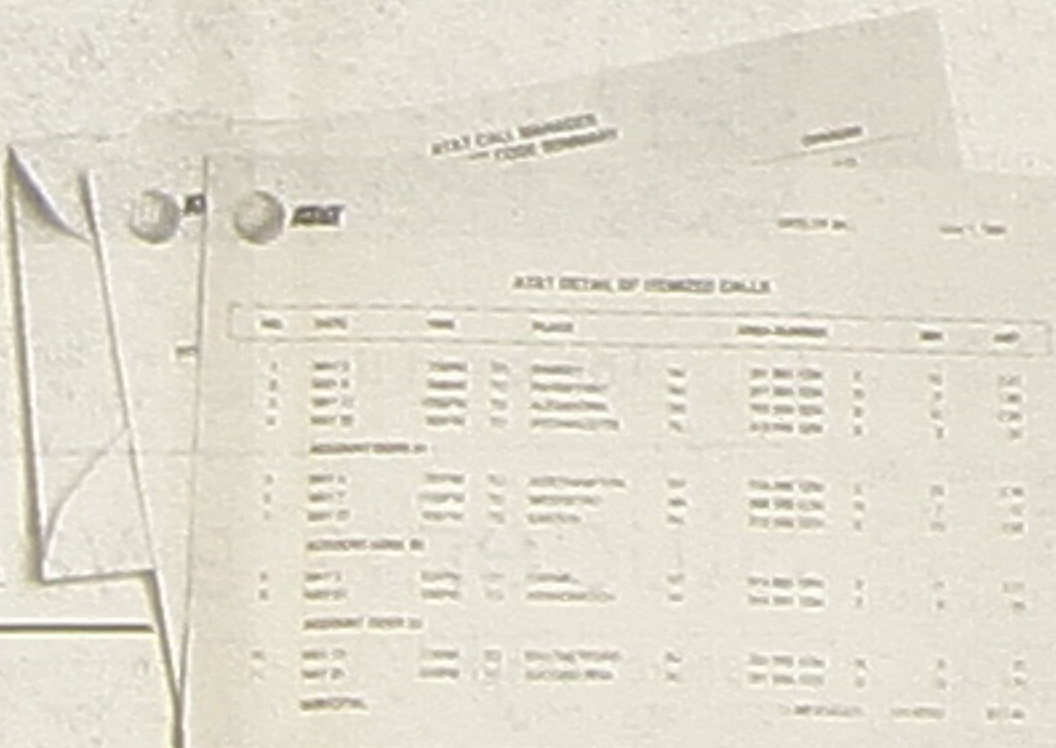
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Continuing education offers alternative to a regular college curriculum course

Credit and non-credit classes available for fall; program holds courses off-campus

BY CARINE PETERSON
EDITORIAL PAGE EDITOR

Whether a person is wanting a core curriculum course or a non-traditional one, Missouri Southern's continuing education program may be the answer. Although the Emergency Medical Technician and Paramedic courses are already full, many other courses offered by continuing education are still open.

Regular college courses are offered off-campus with transferable credits. Courses ranging from Sociology of Aging to Beginning Algebra are offered at Carthage, Crowder College, Nevada, Joplin, Lamar, Mount Vernon, and Monett.

Dr. Jerry Williams, director of

continuing education, says Ballroom Dancing is the most popular course. About 70 students ranging from 19 to 65 years old will be enrolled in the class. He said the social connections made during the course will benefit students now and after graduation.

The Scuba Diving course is coming back with the opportunity to receive international certification upon completion of the course. Dr. Joe Shields, professor of mathematics and affiliated with the National Association of Underwater Instructors, has returned from a sabbatical and is teaching the course again.

According to Williams, the most unusual class offered is one called Christmas Ornaments. Though it is a non-credit course, it is in popular demand, he said. Linda Lindquist

Baldwin, who has received international recognition via publications, CNN Headline News, and NBC News, will be the instructor.

There are expanded offerings in Automotive Computer Aided Drafting, and the Personal Protection/Basic Handgun course now has transferable credits.

"It doesn't replace one of the required P.E. courses," said Williams, "but will transfer in as a P.E. credit."

Other courses range from Aquacise, Intermediate Classical Guitar, to Securities and Investments. Also, a non-credit Western Dance class will start Sept. 10. Williams said other classes may be added later in the semester.

In order to decide the selection of courses available, he said his office

tries to conduct a student survey and heed special requests from individuals and instructors.

Most classes start after Labor Day, making it convenient for women and families in the community to schedule their day accordingly, Williams said.

The continuing education program began in 1974 because of an increasing number of non-traditional education needs, he said. About 1,000 people per semester attend the continuing education courses.

Generally, 90 percent of students attending continuing education courses are not traditional students. Williams says he wants students to be aware of the courses available because they could benefit.

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"I wanted to divorce myself from criminal justice so that I could pay attention to all areas," he said.

It did not take long for Maupin and his new assistant to select someone as a replacement for the criminal justice program. Once again, the suitable candidate was found on Southern soil.

Jack Spurlin, assistant professor of criminal justice, was promoted to plug the hole left by Seneker. Maupin and Seneker both said Spurlin has

the needed qualities to serve as director of criminal justice administration.

"Spurlin has been proven as an outstanding teacher, has been with the College 15 years, is an excellent adviser, and has a good background," said Maupin.

Seneker cited Spurlin as "very competent," adding that his knowledge of Spurlin proceeding him made his own transition easier.

The promotion became effective Aug. 1, some 10 months after Spurlin's resignation as Southern's head soccer coach. Spurlin maintains that while it is true he may not have been offered his new position had he still been coaching soccer, his resignation was merely "good timing." He had not foreseen the coming promotion opportunity.

"With soccer, I just made a decision," he said, "I was trying to serve two masters. I decided that teaching came first."

Along with his added duty of making the nearly 300-major criminal justice program and the regional police academy run smoothly, he also maintains his place at the head of the classroom.

"I love the teaching aspect of the job," said Spurlin. "Although my load is reduced to make way for my new duties, I am happy to still be teaching."

Spurlin, named one of Southern's outstanding teachers for 1989, served as a policeman for several years, a police chief for one year, and a member of the Department of Internal Affairs for three years prior to his teaching career.

Maupin, Seneker, and Spurlin all believe the new situation will be of benefit to the school of technology as a whole.

"We're all excited," said Spurlin. "Change makes you excited. I think everyone's happy."

New dean appointed

BY STEVE SAKACH
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

With nearly 20 years of service at Missouri Southern, James Gray said he hopes experience will ease his transition to acting dean of the school of business.

Gray, who served as the school's assistant dean for two years, will take over the role tomorrow.

"I know Missouri Southern as far as the various areas and people involved," Gray said. "I think that's what I'm going to have to rely on."

The retirement of Dr. Floyd Belk, vice president, caused the College to restructure its administration. Gray will replace Dr. Robert Brown, who will take over as vice president for academic affairs on an acting basis. Brown has served as dean since 1987.

"My goal right now is to maintain and continue the tremendous job Dr. Brown had done," said Gray. "I had a very pleasant job [as assistant] due to the dean and the faculty."

As a first-time faculty member in 1969, Gray worked his way up to director of the computer center. He left the College in 1979 to work as data processing manager for a private firm. He returned to the faculty in 1982 and was appointed assistant dean in 1988.

"He's a very able and capable ad-

ministrators," Brown said. "He has great experience—he's inciteful, he knows the curriculum, and he has a lot of experience with the faculty."

Gray said one of his concerns is to continue keeping the faculty supplied with what they need to do a proper job.

"The school of business classes are full, and our faculty are teaching the maximum," he said. "One of the functions I want to concentrate on is just making sure they have what they need."

As dean, Gray said he wants to continue in Brown's pursuit of providing students with a broader background.

"We would like to branch out to where we are working with different schools in other areas," Gray said.

"There are several areas where we are discussing working in conjunction with various schools. I would certainly like to encourage that."

Belk's retirement has come on relatively short notice to the College.

"I haven't had much time to sit back and philosophize about where I am going," he said. "There will be a lot of decisions that will have to be made that I wasn't responsible for in the past. I used to be able to say 'That's not my decision to make.' No longer can I do that."



STAFF PHOTO BY NICK COBLE

Quite a spread

Students and faculty of the College's dental hygiene program held a picnic at the Biology Pond recently to welcome students and kick off the fall semester.

Library funds increase

BY DIANE VAN DERA
ASSISTANT EDITOR

To meet the needs of a growing student body, Spiva Library has received a sizable budget increase for fiscal year 1991.

The library budget was increased by \$70,000 to \$381,419, and more personnel were added to the library staff. The increased funding has already been put to use as new books have come in. Charles Kemp, head librarian, expects more as instructor requests come in.

Library hours are now 7:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday. Two part-time employees have been added to cover the extended hours.

"We're really glad to be able to do this," Kemp said. "We had a lot of requests from students last year for better hours, and [College President] Dr. [Julio] Leon made it possible to do so. It's really good when you have a need and can fill it like that."

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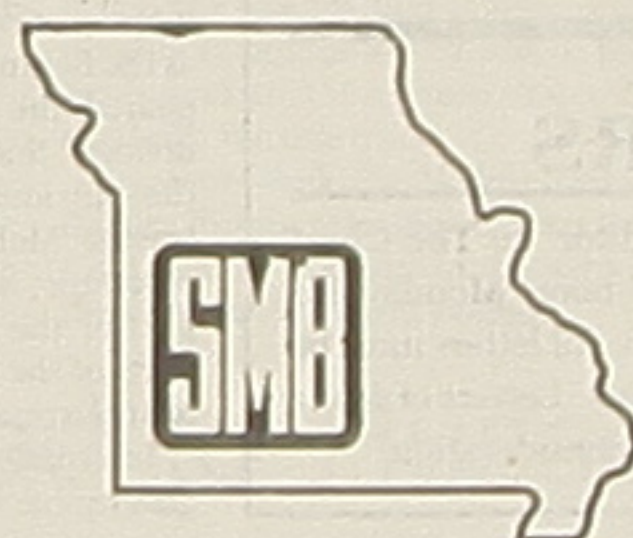
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Wait and see

Cultural diversity may have found a home at Missouri Southern.

Over the summer, College President Julio Leon outlined a five-year plan to make Southern a center for international studies. The wish list that accompanies the College's new approach is impressive, so watching this internationalized agenda unfold and develop certainly will be exciting.

In the communications department, Russian, Arabic, and Chinese will be added to the foreign language curriculum to complement the existing Spanish, German, and French languages. In two years, the department could be teaching eight foreign languages. If that were the case, there would be no doubting the College's intentions of making this campus unique not only among Missouri higher education institutions, but also nationwide.

A dose of skepticism remains, though. The long-range plan for making Southern an international playground of ideas has some wondering if money devoted to securing the College's cultural credibility could be better spent on existing needs. It is hard to imagine anyone arguing with the College's intentions, but it's relevant to ask where the money will come from. Money is a stumbling block that rears itself in many places, and for good reason. Attaining an international identity has its price.

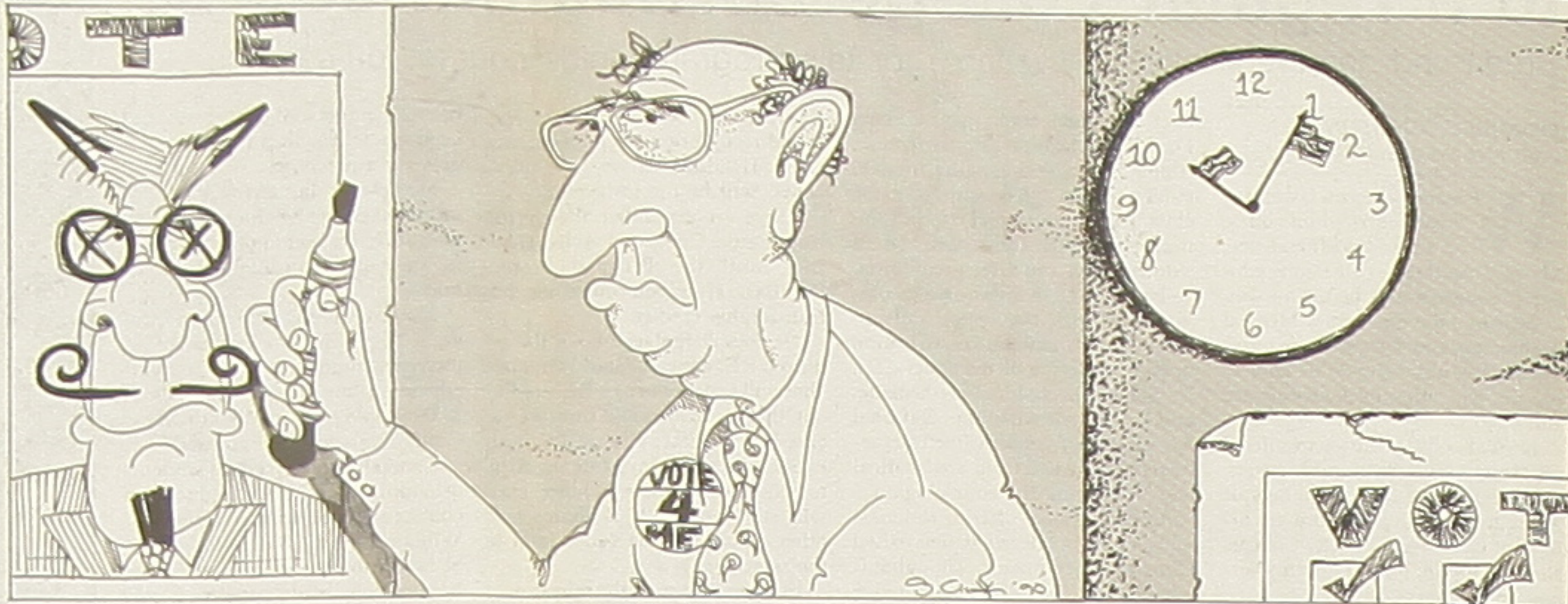
End of an era

Dr. Floyd Belk's resignation from the College signals the end of an era. During his 24-year tenure here, including 16 years as vice president for academic affairs, Southern was able to accomplish many things, including a new core curriculum, an assessment of outcomes program, and bustling enrollment increases. Belk had a hand in these feats, and his insight and consultation will be missed by Dr. Leon and many others.

Belk's replacement, Dr. Robert Brown, now dean of the school of business administration, has been lauded campus wide as someone who will be capable and enthusiastic as Southern's academic vice president. But for all the positive acceptance of Brown as Belk's replacement, the College's front office may not be able to drown the whispering criticism of having three former business deans manning the positions of president, senior vice president, and vice president for academic affairs. Like anything else, Missouri Southern is a business, and having business-educated people at the helm may seem appropriate, but we must be careful to not deliver the image that Southern only means business, so to speak.

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Mud bears ring of truth with politicians

BY CHRISTOPHER CLARK
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

For all the talk and sweet, sweet rhetoric on ethics by politicians, the fact remains that many of them are still the sleaze we always knew they were. But don't you think they could have tried a little harder to prove us wrong?

Take the campaign tactics of Mike Synar and Jack Ross of Oklahoma. In ads that play to the imbecile in all of us, Mike tells Oklahomans that he's not for sale; there is no way he can be bought, but it's no secret that Synar never met a political action committee check he didn't like. Maybe you can't be bought, Mike. Maybe auction is a better word.

An even sillier rebuttal ad comes from Ross, a dramatization of Synar secretly taking some money that wasn't totally on the up and up. Ross' thinking? If you can't get the real thing, do



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the next best thing: make something up and make it look real so nobody will know the difference. It is incredible that somehow we have considered these men for a job in government. Ethics is always a topic of concern for senators and congressmen. These two gentlemen in particular have no business even approaching the topic.

Voters have long been subject to insult when it comes to political advertising. Claims are made that have little or no factual base, and slogans and promises are spoken but soon after are dropped like bad habits. And bad habits they are.

I lived in the Kansas City area during the summer and was able to witness the terror of political advertising in a larger population area. There was one race in particular that sank its candidates to new lows in advertising. I can remember it perfectly. Marsha Murphy, a candidate for Jackson County commissioner, played herself as quite a political catch in a commercial depicting her obviously staged conversations with police, construction workers, and city of-

ficials. This was a concerned Marsha Murphy, right? No way, it was a joke and a farce of an advertisement. Yet it was effective for her, and that's where the problem lies.

Citizens have become quite complacent lately, accepting any and all advertising that comes our way on the tube or in the newspapers. We may not believe everything we see, but we do nothing to help stop the unhealthy dissemination of half-truths. Of course, this would be to subdue the nature of all advertising and enterprise. However, the arena of political advertising is a different venue; the claims made by politicians deal with propositions to change public policy. These are serious ambitions that current political advertising takes lightly.

Technically, of course, politicians who squirm with the truth are not breaking any law, but they are morally starving the masses that depend on advertising to be their only source of candidate investigation. The idea of politicians slinging mud is one thing, but mud often bears a ring of truth, and these ads aren't about truth. They are about half-baked claims embellished by advertising agencies.

International mission will be distinctive

BY DR. JULIO LEON
COLLEGE PRESIDENT

Last fall the world watched in astonishment the momentous changes taking place in Eastern Europe and in the Soviet Union. One after another, countries that for 40 or more years had professed allegiance to a socialist political and economic system declared their independence from Moscow, dumped the ruling communist party, and began the search for a democratic system of government and a market-oriented economic system.

Futurists, prognosticators, and forecasters have for some years now been making all sorts of predictions about the year 2000. Every organization and entity which must plan for the future has been focusing on that magic point in time when, as we step into the 21st century, things and events will be somehow different, new, challenging. Yet, as events in the Soviet Union and in Eastern Europe unfolded last October, one could not help but think that the year 2000 had arrived 11 years early.

The events of last year highlighted even more the interdependent nature of the world we live in. As soon as the Berlin Wall came down and the cold war disappeared, the people in St. Louis knew that the "peace dividend" that accrued really meant serious trouble for that city and Missouri's largest employer, defense contractor McDonnell Douglas. We know now that economic, social, or political developments in any part of the world have an effect on other faraway parts of the planet—all because of the seamless web of interconnections that influences our lives.

International understanding, language proficiency, geographic literacy have now become essential in an



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interdependent world where each country's survival depends on its ability to understand and cooperate with other nations. In the report "Toward Education with a Global Perspective," the National Assembly on Foreign Languages and International Studies stated in 1980: "Issues of peace, economics, and global harmony hinge on the strengthening of ties among people of diverse cultures. International trade and domestic employment, energy resources and foreign markets, diplomacy and cross-cultural interactions all require greater understanding of how other people think and live."

Such goals cannot be achieved without a concerted effort to build a global perspective into the educational system. The faculty of Missouri Southern State College realized the importance and the value of the international perspective two years ago when they added an international studies component to the new core curriculum of the College. That was a very important step in the development of a sound, liberal arts-based core curriculum.

On June 15 the College administration proposed to the Board of Regents that the College expand even more the international dimensions of undergraduate education at Missouri Southern. The regents gave approval to a new mission for our College where our undergraduate education programs will have a strong international emphasis that will permeate the entire institution.

An international education mission will be a distinguishing characteristic of our College. Over the next few years we will be involved in the gradual implementation of the different facets of an international approach to college education. Among the many different facets of our new mission will be:

■ 1. A Curriculum with Global Perspectives. Every possible course in the curriculum can be revised

to include international components as appropriate. Coverage of issues from an interdisciplinary world-wide perspective may take place; for example: hunger, acid rain, global warming, etc.

■ 2. Foreign Languages. Critical to an international education mission is the development of a strong offering of foreign languages. In addition to strengthening the current offerings in Spanish, French, and German, our students will eventually be able to study other languages such as Russian, Chinese, Arabic, Italian, etc. The development of proficiencies in a second language will be of vital importance to our students as well as to our faculty.

■ 3. International Student and Faculty Exchanges. Agreements will be signed with universities and colleges from other countries. Similarly we can expect more study abroad and internship options for our students and more international students attending Missouri Southern.

■ 4. International Conferences, Lecture Series, and International Cultural Events on our Campus.

■ 5. Collaboration with Public/Private Schools and Community Colleges. To foster global education and the study of foreign languages and geography.

■ 6. Promotion and Support of International Trade and Relations. To work with area and state business in the promotion of exports to benefit the economic development of the region.

These are the major areas that will occupy our attention over the next few years as we attempt to develop programs of study at our College that will prepare our students to live and work in the emerging interdependent global society.

The events of last year, and indeed today in the Middle East, clearly tell us that it is inconceivable that any country which aspires to international leadership can exercise that role if its people are uneducated in international affairs. The students and faculty at Missouri Southern will face an exciting challenge in the 1990s.

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Crisis in Mideast highlights myths

Acts show leaders' true ambitions

Benjamin Netanyahu is Israel's Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, a post he has held since December 1988. From 1984-88, he was the Israeli Ambassador to the United Nations. He is editor of the book *Terrorism: How the West Can Win*. He was interviewed Aug. 22 by Nathan Gardels, "Global Viewpoint" editor.

Under what conditions would Israel feel compelled to insert itself into the Gulf crisis?

NETANYAHU: Our policy is threefold. First, we support the American-led international isolation of Iraq. Second, we will not initiate action, and we have not been asked to do so by the United States. Third, if attacked by Iraq, by air or by Iraqi ground movement into Jordan, we will respond vigorously.

What reason do you have to believe that Iraqi ground troops would move into Jordan?

NETANYAHU: We hope they won't, but you have to remember that all that stands between Israel and Iraq is Jordan. So for Saddam to move troops into Jordan can have only one meaning—he plans to attack Israel. Saddam Hussein has expressed the desire to open up an Eastern front against Israel before. And in his present desperation, he might seek ways to deflect the international campaign now focused against him into an Arab campaign against Israel led by him.

He shouldn't be allowed to get away with that. Israel has no choice but to take this man seriously. He has acted on every one of his past threats. He promised to wage war on the Kurds within Iraq, and he did so. He promised to wage war against Iran, and he did so. He promised to "correct the imbalance" vis-a-vis Kuwait, and he did so.

He now promises to incinerate half of Israel, and we take him seriously. We are taking every action to make sure this is one threat he won't live up to.

Saddam Hussein may have the intent, but does he have the capability? For example, does he have missiles mounted with chemical warheads that could actually strike Israeli soil? And what would be Israel's response?

NETANYAHU: I don't want to get into intelligence assessments, but I do know that any attack on Israel, chemical or otherwise, will be met with the most forceful response. Saddam Hussein surely must know that Israel's capacity to respond far exceeds that of Kuwait or Saudi Arabia, or any other force in the region.

Israel has long been wary of Iraq's intentions and capabilities. But now that Saddam has proved to everyone that he is not bluffing, can the Middle East return to any semblance of stability as long as Saddam stays in power, even if he withdraws from Kuwait?

NETANYAHU: Saddam Hussein is perhaps the first of a new breed of dictators emerging in the post-Cold War period. In a peculiar way, the re-ignition of conflict between the superpowers has created the maneuvering room for these kinds of tyrants who, armed with ballistic missiles—which they are trying to mount with weapons of mass destruction—are threatening to act out their

ambitions.

We have seen his kind earlier in this century and the general conclusion from that experience was that such dictators must not be allowed to pursue their aggression with impunity because that leads inevitably to more aggression.

As a general observation based on this historical experience, as long as Saddam Hussein retains his ambition and is not rolled back, as long as his military machine is intact, he will remain very, very dangerous.

Israeli Housing Minister Ariel Sharon said last week that it was important for the U.S. to act immediately with military action to avoid a standoff, because any standoff would ensure a way out for Saddam. Now the hostage situation makes it very difficult for the U.S. to act militarily and avoid a standoff. Should the U.S. move sooner rather than later?

NETANYAHU: I don't think that I have to give advice to the American government, especially because they appear to be doing the right thing. But there is no question that Saddam is the master-terrorist of the world today. He has used and operated various terrorist groups in the past, including PLO elements, to commit terrorist acts against civilians.

What he has done now is try to hold several thousand people hostage and, if he has his way, the entire world hostage. So clearly when you are dealing with someone of that ilk, you have to adopt the operative principle that applies in all terrorist and blackmail situations: a simple refusal to yield or rescind your basic demand. The minimal demand in this case is the rolling back of Iraqi aggression against Kuwait.

There were reports out of Israel last week that PLO members were plotting with Saddam to carry out attacks on American targets around the world. Do you have anything more to say on that?

NETANYAHU: I have seen those reports and I am not surprised. Saddam's closest ally in the Arab world is Yasser Arafat, who has put the full weight of the PLO behind Iraq's act of aggression. They are brothers in blood, method, and goals. When Saddam promised to incinerate half of Israel, Arafat and the PLO cheered loudly.

As far as using terrorism now, that of course is a method of operation that is useful only if it is not exposed. Terrorism is useful only if you can deny culpability. If Saddam orders Arafat to dispatch Palestinians for terror actions against the West, it is too overt to be useful. It would be tantamount to an open, contemplated act of war. The minute such a terror strategy is exposed, it is useless.

Why did Arafat and the PLO support Saddam Hussein?

NETANYAHU: Arafat was a supporter of Saddam Hussein well before the Kuwait crisis. In fact, several months ago he seriously considered moving the PLO headquarters from Tunis to Baghdad. Arafat was also handmaiden of Saddam Hussein at the recent Baghdad Summit [of Arab states], which reaffirmed the three No's vis-a-vis Israel: No negotiation, no recognition, no

EARTHWEEK: A DIARY OF THE PLANET

Floods

Meteorological sources in India say this season's southwest monsoon has been "good", having brought ample rainfall to agricultural areas that depend on its four months of normally-drenching rains. However, lack of modern flood control has once again left thousands of people flooded from their homes. Hundreds have drowned in this summer's inundations, and vast tracts of rich farmland have been washed away by overflowing rivers.

Floods in the midwestern U.S. forced more than 1,000 people from their homes and closed several stretches of highway. The National Weather Service reported that fish were seen swimming in some streets of Chicago flooded by downpours.

Tropical Storms

High winds, floods and mudslides from typhoon Zola killed three people as it lashed the southern half of Japan. The storm arrived at the beginning of "O-bon," the Festival of the Dead, when families gather to pay respects to their ancestors. Officials were forced to close several stretches of highways because of flooding, which caused the worst traffic snarl in Japanese history.

Typhoon Yancy killed 11 people as it raked Taiwan with 90-mile-per-hour winds. Later, the storm killed 120 on the Chinese mainland where heavy crop losses were reported.

Hurricane Julio and tropical storm Kenna moved harmlessly over the eastern Pacific.

Roo Trophies

A businessman in Townsville, on Australia's northeast coast, plans to start stuffing 2,000 to 3,000 kangaroo heads per year to sell as trophies to overseas tourists. John Kreuger thinks there's a booming market for the heads, which he will sell for about \$40 each. He has been stuffing

peace.

In addition, that summit declared war against letting Soviet Jewish immigrants settle within the pre-1967 boundaries of Israel. Moreover, several months ago, when Saddam declared that with the Iran-Iraq war the Arab obligation was to build up an Eastern front for an attack against Israel, he requested and got the assistance of the PLO to help secure Syrian agreement to that objective. Arafat sent his close adviser, Hani El Hassan, to Damascus to seek Assad's participation in an Eastern front.

So this alliance between Arafat and Hussein is not new-found. With Saddam Hussein, Arafat drops all pretenses. They share the same goal: The pan-Arabic impulse to eradicate the Jewish state.

Do you think that Arafat has moved in Saddam Hussein's direction because of frustration over the lack of results for his strategy of moderation, including his renunciation of terrorism at the United Nations meeting in Geneva in December 1988?

NETANYAHU: No, I do not. The PLO has pursued a moderate course only in their rhetoric toward the West. Since its supposed shift to moderation, the PLO has mounted more terrorist attacks than in the previous year to their "reformation."

All that has changed now is that the reality of the Arab world has forced the PLO out into the open. What has happened in the past few weeks is not a change in the PLO's position, but an unmasking of it.

manufactures. Nearly half of all imports last year came from America and the European community.

Yet Mr. Hussein is used to running a nation under seige, albeit with the help of countries that have now turned against him. Some imports might get in via Jordan, even though it has now joined the embargo. The sanctions will let through at least some "humanitarian" food supplies.

Iraqis coped well with austerity during the eight-year war against Iran, but then they could see no alternative. This time there is an alternative: withdrawal from Kuwait. There will be discontent. Yet it will be balanced by fear. Mr. Hussein keeps an extensive and, even by Arab standards, brutal secret police. He also uses the Baath party as an instrument of control: there is a party member in every street and factory. The few dissidents he has not yet rooted out—Kurdish nationalists, Shia Muslims, communists—may be afraid to try anything. The Kurds indeed are suggesting the opposite.

What popular discontent coupled with external pressure might do is embolden the president's enemies in the army, probably the only body inside Iraq capable of overthrowing

them for sale around Townsville for 26 years, and a few were marketed in other areas before protests by animal activists halted the practice. "Now the greenies are more preoccupied with the forests, the greenhouse effect and what have you, so I figure it'll be OK," Kreuger said. Rich Humphries, national coordinator for Greenpeace Australia, said he was "disgusted" by Kreuger's plans.

Drought

An international relief effort continued to bring supplies to areas of Namibia that are in the grip of a severe drought. Even in eastern Caprivi, usually the wettest area of the country, 80 percent of the wells have run dry, and farmers face complete crop failure.

The effects of the severe drought in Europe worsened. Hydroelectric power on the Danube and other major rivers has been significantly reduced due to low water levels.

Why did King Hussein of Jordan support Saddam's seizure of Kuwait?

NETANYAHU: Clearly King Hussein is intimidated. He has to choose between his fears of Baghdad and his desire to stay within the camp acceptable to the West. For the moment, he has chosen a very unsteady course between those two poles. I hope that he realizes that he cannot find security in the claws of a ravenous tiger such as Saddam Hussein.

If King Hussein allows Jordan to become an Iraqi military base, it would be a terrible mistake. And I hope he doesn't do this. Stability in Jordan is in Israel's interest. What we want is the maintenance of the status quo.

Has the division which has emerged as a result of the invasion of Kuwait caused a serious and permanent rift in the unity of the Arab world, or is this something that will be repaired in time?

NETANYAHU: What has been revealed with the invasion of Kuwait is the divisiveness below the surface. The Middle East is really characterized by a split between radicals and non-radicals, predators and prey. Prey are relatively powerless, and it is therefore very hard to build any wall of resistance to the predators—regimes such as Iraq, Libya or, for that matter, Syria.

The important thing to understand is that the key to peace in the Middle East is the ability to deter the predators from making war for plunder or conquest. That has been Israel's policy. We have therefore

Earthquakes

Two sharp aftershocks of Iran's devastating June 21 quake rocked the region near Gorgan and Bojnurd where almost 40,000 people died in the initial temblor. Three quakes, each registering at least 5 on the Richter scale, jolted central Japan, disrupting rail traffic for commuters. Earth movements were also felt on Alaska's Kenai Peninsula, on the Soviet Far East's Sakhalin Island, and south of San Francisco.

Hot Spot

Members of an international military force sent to defend Saudi Arabia against a possible Iraqi invasion were ordered to drink a quart of water an hour to ward off heat stroke. Temperatures in the Saudi desert soared to over 100 degrees even in the early morning hours, then reached a scorching 110-115 degrees by mid-afternoon. A massive logistical operation was

launched to quench the thirst of these newly-arrived military men and women. The U.S. plans to fly in massive ice-making machines to supplement Dhahran's overstressed factory, whose daily output of 6,000 pounds is quickly consumed under the blazing summer sun.

Charming Discovery

A snake charmer who was called in to rid a home in southwest Bangladesh of cobras pulled 86 of the vipers from a single hole. Witnesses say Ali Akbar caught each of the snakes, ranging in length from a foot to a yard, one by one. He also dug out 200 snake eggs from the same hole. Akbar said he has caught more than 15,000 poisonous snakes in the Sathkira district during the last few years.

Additional Sources: U.S. Climate Analysis Center, U.S. Earthquake Information Center, U.S. National Hurricane Centers at Miami and Honolulu, and the World Meteorological Organization.

NETANYAHU: Unhappily, the democratization in Eastern Europe or Central America has not reached the Middle East. Without exception, all the Arab countries are still non-democratic, most of them are police-state dictatorships. As long as similar undemocratic conditions pertained in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union, the West stood up to the threat posed by such regimes. Once democratization came, the West altered its defense policy.

Talk of reducing NATO's strength has become a legitimate topic of discussion because of the internal transformation that has produced the external changes of policy in the Soviet bloc.

Those changes have not happened in the Arab world. On the contrary, what we see is the rise of extremism, either in the form of Islamic fundamentalism or Pan-Arabic radicalism. What we are witnessing here is not so much a political clash, or even a clash of economic interests, but a fundamental clash of culture that has its roots in the long and troubled history of the Arab world's relationship with the West.

This is what Saddam is trying to tap into. These are the sentiments that he is trying to incite. Of course, if we would see Western or democratic values seeping into the Middle East, then the entire picture would change and the danger would pass away. I wish I could say that I see that happening.

Iraqi discontent, external pressure could lead to Hussein's demise

THE ECONOMIST

The 12-year presidency of Mr. Saddam Hussein has known only two years of real peace, the first two.

His war against Iran brought his country close to disaster. Now he has dragged it to the edge of a second one. Yet when news of the invasion of Kuwait reached Baghdad, car horns blared in celebration. Kuwaitis, rich and often arrogant, are little loved by their Iraqi neighbors, many of whom consider the tiny emirate as Iraqi land stolen by the British.

The first reaction may not last, as the risk of a fight with America grows, and as the international blockade drains imported goods from the shops. For now, however, the proud and xenophobic Iraqis will rally behind their president. His propaganda machine tells Iraqis that they are the victims of an American conspiracy. They will believe him, for a time.

Perhaps not forever. Most Iraqis saw the war with Iran as a conflict that could not be avoided. They may come to see the attack on Kuwait for what it was: Mr. Hussein's personal adventure, opposed by many of the

Arab brothers who gave them (if less than overwhelming) support against Iran.

Iraq's economy was in trouble before the Kuwait adventure, even though it grew by some 5 percent last year. Low oil prices meant that Iraq could neither pay its huge foreign debt bill nor buy essential imports. Last year's oil revenues were \$15 billion—not enough to pay for \$11 billion of civilian imports (including \$3 billion of food), \$5 billion of arms, \$3 billion of debt repayment, and \$1 billion of transfers by foreign workers. Iraqis faced 50 percent inflation, empty larders, and a shortage of jobs for soldiers demobilized from the Iran war. The gap between rhetoric and reality was widening, as foreign creditors balked at further loans.

Now, if the UN has its way, all trade—oil exports, financial settlements, and virtually all imports—will be stopped. Oil and refined products bring 97 percent of export earnings. Government investment since the Iran war has gone into increasing oil-exporting capacity, which is of little use now. Dependence on imported food has risen, as has dependence on imported raw materials and

him. It has not succeeded in doing that yet, because Mr. Hussein rules it too by fear. Senior officers are moved from post to post, to prevent them getting together. The officer corps is regularly and ruthlessly purged. Yet in the past two years there have been at least half-a-dozen attempts by small army or air-force groups to kill Mr. Hussein. Now he has pushed the army to the brink of conflict with America. Some resentful officers may yet have another try.

The move already is drawing criticism for advocates of women's rights and reviving memories of the government's wartime policy of encouraging women to "bear children and increase the population" to provide soldiers for the Imperial Army. Results of a survey released Aug. 14 by the Ministry of Home Affairs underscore the situation. Japan's population increased a record low 0.33 percent last year to 122.7 million and the number of members in the average Japanese household fell to 2.98 people, also a record low.

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Fujitsu seeks virus program

ASAHI NEWS SERVICE

TOKYO—Major Japanese computer maker Fujitsu Ltd. said it has launched a project to develop general-purpose computer vaccine programs that would protect computers from known computer viruses and remove viruses from computers already infected. Computer viruses are programs secretly entered into a computer system to destroy or alter data.

Fujitsu is now collecting information on computer viruses that have been found in the United States and plans to classify them into several patterns so that it can develop a number of vaccines by the end of the year to fight each pattern. More than 200 types of computer viruses have been found in the United States, the company said.

The vaccines can be used with Fujitsu computers and, in some cases, computers made by other companies. Fujitsu said.



Too Hot!

Sophomore Suzanne Belveal and Freshman Ed Belveal catch some sleep under a tree after class last Thursday. Many students look advantage of the shade trees during this week's temperature highs which exceeded 100 degrees.

STAFF PHOTO BY CHRIS COX

Club 'kicks off' martial arts program

BY PAUL HOOD
STAFF WRITER

Students have a chance to improve their health while learning practical self-defense skills in the process.

A martial arts club founded by Nelson Cabezas, a Southern student, held its first meeting Monday.

Both group and individual lessons will be offered to teach a working knowledge of self-defense. Cabezas said the training will combine a

number of styles, including Goju Karate, Tae Kwon Do, Shotokan, Kung Fu, Judo, and Jujitsu. The club also will offer a program designed specifically to instruct women on overcoming large, powerful attackers.

Cabezas, who serves as the group's president, said the members will learn more than just fundamentals of the art.

"We won't just work on punching and kicking," he said. "We will examine the philosophies behind dif-

ferent martial arts and also work on diet, meditation, and yoga."

According to Cabezas, the club will not be as traditional or formal as those at other area schools. Members will not be expected to wear karate uniforms or colored belts as a ranking system.

Cabezas said martial arts training is good for the mind as well as the body.

"Our focus won't just be on outside attackers," he said. "Training can also help in overcoming internal

enemies or personal problems. It's great for building self-confidence."

Cabezas has been interested in the martial arts for many years. He was first trained when he was a Navy Seal during the 1960s. Since then he has continued to practice and improve his technique.

Those interested in joining the club should contact Cabezas at 624-8755.

Entertainer says show different from others

BY CHRIS COX
CAMPUS EDITOR

Dave Wopat, a man who by his own admission "defies the conventional music category," will put on a show that combines music and comedy.

Wopat will appear at 7 tonight on the second floor of the Billingsly Student Center. The show will last about 90 minutes.

"The basic point is to make it real fun for the people," said Wopat. "It's pop music in the style of the 60s throughout."

Wopat said his style has changed from what he originated with, as he used to be a "John Denver type" folk singer.

"I'm actually a drummer. I played the guitar to get money for college. I got my chemistry degree."

Wopat, who has seven brothers, grew up on a dairy farm in Wisconsin. One of his brothers, Tom (Luke

Duke of *The Dukes of Hazzard*), is now a country singer. Wopat said he used to be recognized as "Tom's Brother," but through time has made a name of his own.

"He is so talented," said Val Carlisle, director of campus activities. "He is well known by his own merit."

Wopat plays at 130 to 140 colleges per year. This summer, he played at many fairs and festivals around the nation. Wopat will be paid \$950 for his appearance at Southern.

"I like playing for college students," he said. "They are friendlier than most crowds."

Dawn Ehrenberg, theatre major, saw Wopat's show at Southern in 1989 during Spring Fling festivities.

"It was a fun show," she said. Wopat has a wide variety of musical tastes that include classical and popular music. His favorite modern-day musician is Peter Gabriel.

Wopat says his love of the work is his major motivating factor.



Dave Wopat

Frats, sororities host Rush Week

Leaders optimistic about new year

BY CHRIS COX
CAMPUS EDITOR

Students interested in becoming members of Missouri Southern's fraternities and sororities got their chance to do so during the first rush week of the semester.

Sigma Nu, Sigma Pi, and Pi Beta Lambda fraternities, and Zeta Tau Alpha and Lambda Beta Phi sororities each held a rush last week.

"The purpose of rush week was to give students an opportunity to meet members of sororities and fraternities and to help them decide whether or not they would be interested in joining a Greek organization," said Nancy Disharoon, Greek Council adviser.

Rush started Aug. 20 with Pan Hellenic Rush Week, intended for women interested in sororities.

International Fraternity Council (IFC) Rush Week started Monday and will end tomorrow when interested males will be evenly divided among the three fraternities.

Other opportunities exist for those interested in joining a fraternity or sorority throughout the year, Disharoon said.

plan to reach their quotas after rush week.

Jeff Stinnett, president of Sigma Nu, said more people are interested in the Greek system this year.

"This year is the best we've had in a long time," he said. "I think the Greek system is at a turning point."

Stinnett got interested in fraternities with his friends from high school and decided to join one. He said he believes fraternities have helped him mature.

"I now have some of my closest friends in life," Stinnett said. "I have been taught more than college could ever teach me about responsibility and how to work with people."

Larry Seneker, president of Sigma Pi, said movies like *Animal House* and *Revenge of the Nerds* showed a negative side of fraternities that actually is not present.

Seneker said that while the Greek system is involved with some parties, the individual sororities and fraternities are involved in many campus activities and community projects.

Unity among the fraternities is a concern this year, according to Seneker. He believes unity should eliminate the usual "my frat's better than

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Disharoon said she believes fall rush is the best time to join. She said the opportunity to meet each person involved in the fraternities and sororities is helpful in choosing which Greek organization the rushee would most prefer.

"I joined a sorority because I wanted to meet more people," said Kathy Miklos, president of Lambda Beta Phi. "I wasn't meeting people in my classes and I wanted to get involved."

Julie Gray, president of Zeta Tau Alpha, believes both sororities will be successful this year.

"We've had a good turnout," she said. "We have a really nice group of girls this semester."

According to Gray, each sorority is allowed to have 30 women and can petition to have more. The sororities

your frat" attitude.

According to Jason Sloan, president of Pi Beta Lambda, students became interested in forming PBL after seeing the "positive influence" fraternities have on other campuses.

Sloan and a group of friends re-established PBL in the fall of 1989. The original fraternity dissolved when members affiliated with a national fraternity.

"We are also at a unique position this year," Sloan said. "We need to get at least 20 men. If we follow a set of written demands in the next two years, we can become a national chapter."

Students interested in joining a Greek organization must be enrolled in at least 12 credit hours and have at least a 2.0 grade-point average.

Hunt receives national award

Lee Hunt finished first in management testing at the Phi Beta Lambda national competition, held in July in Washington, D.C.

The test was administered to the first- and second-place finishers from every state. The test was a comprehensive written exam consisting of 125 multiple-choice questions. Each question was about one paragraph long. Hunt was the first to complete the test.

Hunt, a double major in accounting and marketing/management, said he "wasn't especially intelligent. It was just that the staff at Missouri Southern was so excellent."

He said he owed the award to the "hands-on education" he has received at the College. "The education you get at Southern is more than just pure academics. The staff tells you how to put it to use. You can get a better education at MSSC than at most of your big-name schools."

Hunt, who plans to work toward an MBA in international management, is the first Southern student to obtain first place in the Phi Beta Lambda national competition.

"It was fun, but it was really stressful," he said.

The plaque he received is on display in the trophy case in Matthews Hall.

Upcoming Events

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THURSDAY

Wesley Foundation: Room 314 BSC, 11 a.m.

LDSSA: Room 314 BSC, Noon

Camera Club: Room 125 Police Academy, 12:30 p.m.

Bicycle Club: Front of BSC, 5:30 p.m.

CAB Concert: Dave Wopat, Music and Comedy, Second Floor BSC, 7 p.m.

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FRIDAY

Fraternity Rush: Last Day For Sign-Up, BSC Stairwell

Volleyball: scrimmage at Pittsburg State Univ. 3 p.m.-6 p.m.

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SATURDAY

Rugby: Scrimmage at Tulsa University, 1 p.m.

Lions Soccer: at Northeastern Missouri State University Garden Cup, TBA

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MONDAY

Labor Day: No Class

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TUESDAY

Baptist Student Union: Free

Lunch, Room 314 BSC, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Chess Club: Room 325 Reynolds Hall, 12:15 p.m.

CAB Movie: 'Earth Girls Are Easy', Second Floor Lounge BSC, 7 p.m. & 9:30 p.m.

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WEDNESDAY

Yearbook Pictures: Room 312 BSC, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Alpha Epsilon Rho: Connor Ballroom, 2 p.m.

CAB Meeting: Room 310 BSC, 3 p.m.

Student Senate: Room 310 BSC, 5:30 p.m.

Volleyball: at Tulsa University, 7 p.m.

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Fields: I need a new theatre

BY DYANA PERKINS
STAFF WRITER

A Roman comedy will kick off a season full of drama, art, and music for Southern Theatre on Sept. 19.

The Menaechmi, a play directed Duane Hunt, is described as a "rowdy and raunchy" Roman comedy.

But as the theatre season begins, concerns of inappropriate facilities have arisen.

Dr. Jay Fields, director of theatre, said because last year "was so hectic," this year's calendar of events, which includes the Fine Arts Festival, has carefully been planned.

Fields, festival chairman last year, said many factors were to blame for the stressful year.

"The Barn Theatre was closed due to fire code violations mid-way through the spring season, leaving the theatre department with only one facility at a very busy time," he said.

Although the closure did not come at a good time, Fields said many are glad it is not in use. "The Barn Theatre was very cramped for space, and because the facility was so old, we were constantly worrying about safety hazards—mainly fire."

Fields does not foresee the Barn Theatre re-opening any time in the future, leaving Taylor Auditorium the only facility available for Southern Theatre. According to Fields, it is too vast to use effectively.

"The house seats a total of 2,036," he said. "The only time we sell that many seats is at major events. Our ideal attendance is anywhere from 250 to 400 people, which makes the production more intimate."

In the past the theatre department has worked around the space problem by closing the curtains on the auditorium stage and arranging seats on stage for various performances. Fields would like to have a facility that is more focused to the needs of the department.

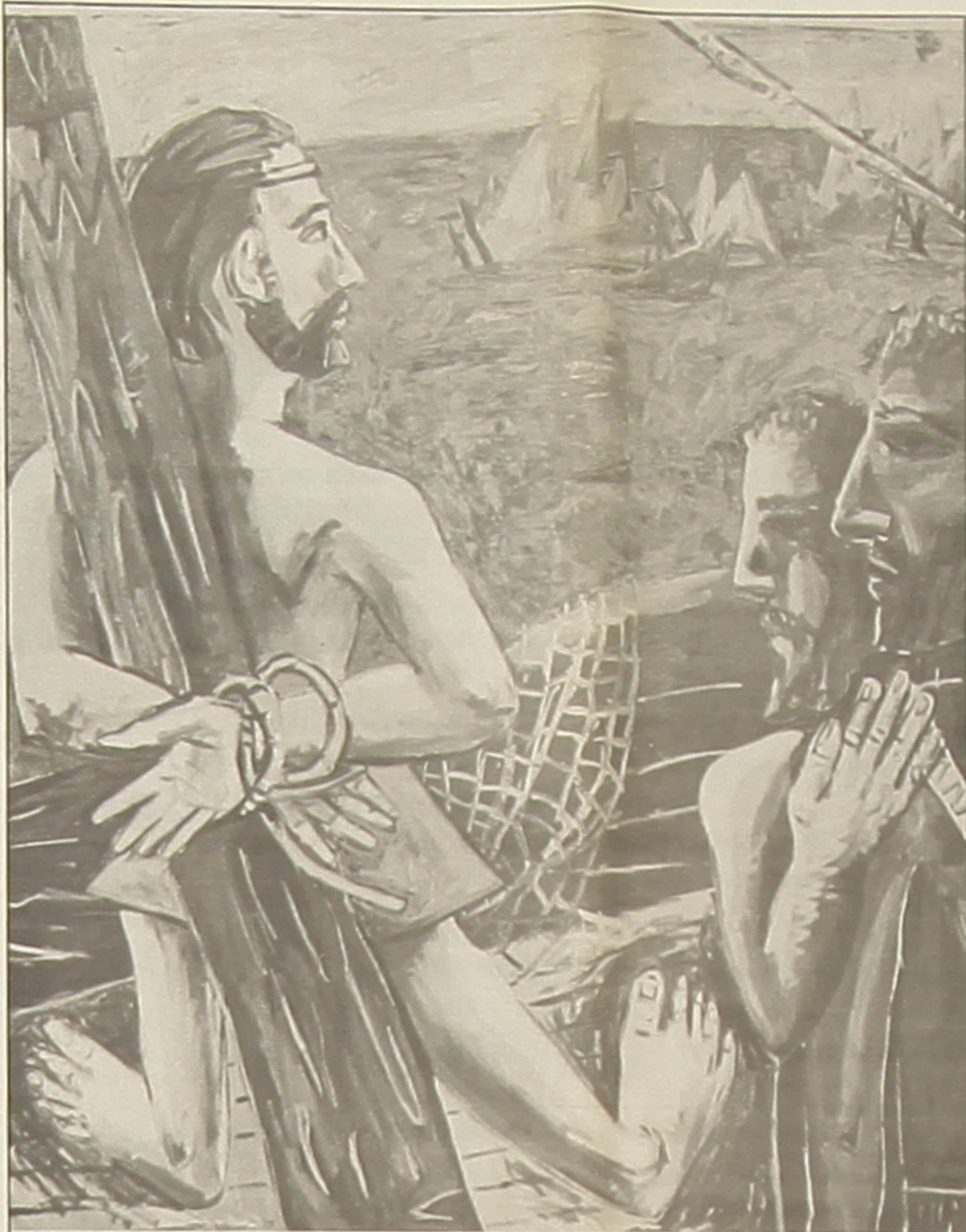
"All we really need," he said, "is a black-box theatre that would consist of stage space, lights, seats, and a place for parking."

Fields hopes the theatre department will be given more financial support in the future, since much of the equipment needed to produce quality level shows is either non-existent or has deteriorated over the years.

"Missouri Southern is growing in an exciting way, but it has no real theatre," he said. "Some time in the future we need a theatre complex that would be to the theatre what the TV station is to the communications department."

Fields believes the College gives the theatre all the support it can, which, he says, is a fair amount. "But we need many new things," he said.

Most in need of replacement are



'Ulysses'

This oil on canvas by Benita Goldman, instructor of art, is currently on display along with the works of other faculty from area colleges. The Spiva Art Center's opening exhibit, "Teaching Art/Making Art II," is on view through Sept. 16.

the lighting and sound systems, which rank high on the 30-page "check" report made regularly by Sam Claussen, theatre technical director.

"The sound system picks up the campus FM radio station," Fields said, "and it bleeds through when the system is on."

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The "larger" groups, the St. Louis Symphony for example, which are booked at Southern are usually sponsored by local non-profit promoters.

The Missouri Arts Council also helps Southern Theatre bring in high-quality groups through a matching funds program. This program financially allowed Southern's Fine Arts Festival to present the State

Ballet of Missouri last year. The original cost of the group, which would have been \$12,000, was literally cut in half through matching funds.

Southern's Children's Theatre program also serves as income for the department. "Local grade school students are bussed in for the pro-

ductions," said Fields. "We charge 50 cents per student, \$1 per adult, and all the proceeds go back into the department."

According to Fields, the average amount earned per year through the children's program is approximately \$4,000 to \$5,000. This money goes toward scholarships.

Despite the problems, Southern

Theatre will continue to bring live productions to the campus. The calendar of events for 1990-91 includes:

■ *The Menaechmi*, will begin at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19-22.

■ *Canundrum*, an entirely student-produced three-act play written by senior theatre major Tracey Eden and directed by James Carter will play at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 24-27.

■ *The Blue Kangaroo*, a musical for children, will show at 2:30 p.m. Dec. 1-2.

■ *Snow White and Rose Red*, a production for children will open at 2:30 p.m. on Feb. 2-3.

The Fine Arts Festival is scheduled to take place April 20 through May 3. Its agenda includes: the *Klausner-Cass Duo*, a piano/violin duet set for April 20, and *Maiden Voyage Portfolio*, a sculpture by Robert Powell. Plays include *Fiddler On The Roof*, slated for April 24-27.

Auditions for *Canundrum* will be at 3 p.m. today in Taylor Auditorium. Auditions for *The Blue Kangaroo* will be October 8-10. Interested persons may find more information outside the Green Room in Taylor.

Variety, recruitment are goals of band

BY CARINE PETERSON
EDITORIAL PAGE EDITOR

New drills, special effects, solos, and upbeat costumes are all in line for this year's Lion Pride Marching Band, according to Pete Havelly, director.

Havelly said the first week was spent getting acquainted with new and old members, conducting try-outs for various musical sections in the band such as horns or drums, and selecting the musical numbers for the season.

dynamics.

Football games, various high school functions, and competitions are on the band's performance schedule. Havelly said the Oct. 20 football game against Central Missouri State University probably will be a major highlight of the band season as it will be "shooting for a very respectable performance."

A major goal when the Lion Pride Marching Band plays at high school functions and competitions is recruiting. Havelly said it is important for the band to be at its best for these

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—Pete Havelly, Lion Pride Marching Band director

"You have got to be sure to select peices that will give a good balanced variety to your show," he said. "Also, you have to think about the students in the band and make sure they are challenged."

Havelly said it is important to pick quality literature because many students in the band are music majors studying to be band directors.

The band plans to open its first show with a Spanish musical number and then change the tempo and

events because the quality of its performance will have a major effect on whether the high school students later attend Missouri Southern.

There are approximately 95 students in the band, including 40 to 45 new members. According to Havelly, this is Southern's largest band yet.

"Real pride comes from excellence in performance," he said. "It takes a dedication to strive for an excellent product."

Faculty showcase art works at Spiva

BY ANGIE STEVENSON
MANAGING EDITOR

Already in progress, Spiva Art Center's opening exhibit of the fall season features the work of faculty members from the art departments of area colleges.

"Teaching Art/Making Art II" opened Aug. 19 and will be on display through Sept. 16. The Spiva Art Center is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

According to Val Christensen, director of Spiva Art Center, this type of exhibit also appeared in the gallery in the fall of 1986.

"It went over very well the first time," he said, "and we felt that there's been quite a number of innovations in the intervening time between the exhibits and the returning artists have new work to display."

Missouri Southern had hoped to start a trend with the exhibit in 1986, but Christensen said other colleges failed to pick up on it.

"We had initially hoped the other institutions might also present exhibits of this nature, but that never manifested," he said. "Hopefully this is still a possibility."

Along with Southern's own faculty, participants are from Coffeyville [Kan.] Community College, Cottey College, Crowder College, Northeastern Oklahoma A&M, and Pittsburg State University. There is no competition involved.

"This is simply a means of bringing artists together to publicly display what they're doing," Christensen said. "It also gives the faculty an opportunity to see the work of other colleges."

Many of the works in the show are for sale, ranging from \$22 to \$2,500. The work includes sculpture, painting, print-making, and photography.

"This is the type of exhibit that I like to see because of the variety of mediums and styles of art," Christensen said. "When you walk into the gallery, you get the immediate sense that the they are all different which allows for comparison and contrast."

Christensen said the new season has "exciting potential."

"I feel very good about the schedule," he said. "I think we have good variety and people will find something to their liking."

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"The Menaechmi": Southern
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\$34-1111

R-8 begins drug testing

'Voluntary' program tests athletes, cheerleaders for abuse

BY DIANE VAN DERA
ASSISTANT EDITOR

For the first time in the Joplin area, voluntary drug testing will be offered in middle and secondary schools.

The Joplin R-8 school district instigated the tests as part of an already existing drug and alcohol abuse program for athletes in the middle and secondary schools.

"We were looking for a way to expand [the awareness program]," said Rusty Shelley, director of student services for Joplin R-8, "and we looked for what we could do to make a big impact on students."

The school district began its search for a model program last spring at a West Coast school whose program offers what Shelley believes are the most important factors in getting students involved.

"What drew us was that it was more educational than testing," Shelley said.

The program starts at the beginning of each sport's season. Before the athletes can attend their first contest, they must go to the drug and alcohol abuse awareness seminar.

The seminar involves not only the student athletes and school administrators, but the students' parents as well. After the seminar, students are invited to participate in the drug screening test on a voluntary basis.

"We're trying to open the lines of communication between parents, coaches, and students," Shelley said.

"This way the student doesn't feel out in the cold."

Shelley stressed that the test is non-punitive, meaning no disciplinary actions will be taken against students for a positive test result. Instead, he said the parents will be told what drug the student had in his or her system and in what amounts. They then will be directed to counseling and programs designed to help students and their families cope with the problem.

"We're not in it to catch somebody," he said, "but we want to help. We want students to talk to their parents and get some help."

The tests will begin approximately the second week in September, and samples will be taken at the schools. The samples then will be sent to Missouri Southern's crime laboratory for screening.

In keeping with the confidentiality emphasis, school principals and coaches will not know the names or the test results of the students participating in the program. The students will remain anonymous to the testers at the crime lab as well; samples will only be identified by a code number assigned by Shelley.

"I will be the only one handling the files," said Shelley. "That way we can be certain of confidentiality. We're really concerned with keeping the test results confidential."

Dr. Phillip Whittle, director of the crime laboratory, will be conducting the tests "as much as possible; about 90 percent of the time." The only

other person to do screening will be Dr. Melvyn Mosher, professor of law enforcement at Southern.

To be completely certain of no tampering with the samples, Whittle will conduct two preliminary tests for pH levels and specific gravity. These tests will show if there are foreign agents added to the samples to try to disguise a positive reading. If there are severe irregularities, the samples will not be tested.

Whittle has proposed some cut-off limits where drug traces are detected as being negative or positive. He said in some cases there might be "passive inhalation," where a person has been around someone who was smoking marijuana.

"The cut-off level is quite a bit higher than the level will be at for passive inhalation," said Whittle. "We're not testing to see if there are some drugs there, we're seeing if there is enough for a physiological reaction."

Whittle said the chance of a mistake between passive traces of drugs and actual drug use is "very slim."

"The last thing I want to do is participate in accusing someone wrongly. That's why we're so very careful."

The lab will test for four drugs: alcohol, ethanol; marijuana, and cocaine; and amphetamine/methamphetamine such as "speed" or "crank."



Congestion

Traffic slows as city workers continue efforts to resurface Rangeline Road near 32nd Street. The project should be completed by the middle of September.

STAFF PHOTO BY NICK COBLE

'Hazardous' road gets repairs

State money earmarked for the improvement of hazardous roads will help resurface Range Line Road, according to Missouri highway department officials.

That money also will help pay for new traffic signals at the intersection of 32nd and Main.

"The accident rate [for Range Line] is running higher than the

state average for similar roads, making it eligible for these funds," said Ken Stalcup, district engineer for the Missouri Highway Department.

The work involves resurfacing an area running from Zora Street south to 44th Street. Work should be completed by the middle of September, according to officials.

According to Sgt. Steve Rogers of

the Joplin police department, the construction has slowed traffic but not increased the accident rate.

Improvements at the intersection of 32nd and Main will include the installation of detectors in the pavement to regulate the timing of signal changes according to traffic flow.

This work is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

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Revenue shortfalls face City Council

'Stormy weather' ahead, says Martin

BY T.R. HANRAHAN
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

The Joplin City Council, in an informal meeting Monday, heard City Manager Leonard Martin review the proposed budget for the 1990-91 fiscal year.

Martin, comparing the city's shrinking general fund to a barometer, predicted "stormy weather" ahead as the city has been continually forced to dip into its savings to bring revenues in line with expenditures.

"I look at the general fund as the barometer of local government finances," Martin said. "Our barometer is falling and it is telling us overall that our weather condition for all these other funds are in trouble because that barometer controls a lot of these other funds."

Concerns about a possible downturn in the economy prompted Martin to report to the Council that the sales tax and transportation tax revenue could decline in the event inflation limits citizens' disposable income.

Council members listened as Martin reviewed the budget and asked some questions about priorities.

"Do we really need to be putting money into Joe Becker Stadium that

the city of Joplin does not use?" he asked. "I'm not saying close it, but maybe the people who use that facility should be combining resources to take care of that facility."

Members explored the possibility of establishing or increasing user fees at recreational facilities such as pools, golf courses, and tennis courts. Cemetery fees in Joplin were also pointed out as being low in comparison to those in neighboring cities. Some members expressed concern that money generated this way would amount to little and its effect on the total problem could be negligible and might anger voters.

In other budget investigations, the Council examined caps that exist on commercial sewage rates and the possibility of bringing these up to date.

The Council also examined the feasibility of a pay increase for city workers and proposals from various city departments.

Mayor Cheryl Dandridge closed the meeting by suggesting that the Council arrange an informal town meeting to educate the public about city government.

A public hearing on the proposed budget will take place at the next Council meeting.

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going to be involved in international trade in some method," Kleindl said.

Naturally, foreign language will play an important role in the global business village, and business instructors are encouraging their students to take more foreign language classes.

"Foreign languages are going to be more and more important," said Kleindl. "It is critical to international trade. How can an American who has only one language hope to compete or do business anywhere if he can't speak their language?"

Kleindl said today's students "are not really sure what is going on in the rest of the world" in terms of business, trade, and culture.

"The [International Business]

class has a tendency to open their (students) eyes up," Kleindl said.

The class focuses on three main areas in international business: understanding of global relations, the mechanics of international trade, and the how-to aspect.

The move to an international perspective will make Southern business graduates more employable, said Kleindl, who also noted the necessity for practical experience in domestic business may be giving way to a need for global understanding.

"It's a matter of global literacy," he said. "That could mean taking a summer vacation to Mexico, Europe, or South America to see and experience other cultures."

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Team travels to Kirksville for opener

BY STEVE SAKACH
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Gearing up for the season opener against Northeast Missouri State Saturday, the soccer team has focused on passing, conditioning, and adapting to its new lineup.

The addition of a striker to the front line may strengthen both offense and defense up the middle, said Scott Poertner, in his first season as head coach.

"We're trying to do a lot of changing," Poertner said, "not just run and go, not just pushing forward all the time. We're going to take the opportunities we've got."

With five starting seniors and a bench seven players deep, experience and diversity are the Lions' main assets early in the season, Poertner said.

The team also is depending on five freshmen whom Poertner hopes will improve during the next few games.

"They will help us out a lot," he said. "We just have to get used to them and start playing more as a team."

The Lions travel to Kirksville for the Gardner Cup where they face Northeast at 2 p.m. Saturday and the University of Missouri-Rolla at noon Sunday.

Poertner, who played under former Southern coach Hal Bodon, said Northeast and Rolla are both solid teams.

"We haven't beat Rolla in two years," he said. "Northeast was ranked 10th last year, and we beat them. It was a very good game."

Southern lost to Rolla 2-1 last season and defeated Northeast 1-0. Senior Jeff Malasek had both goals for the Lions.

Malasek will contribute more on offense this year at the forward position, with freshman Colby Resser filling in for him on defense.

Malasek, Chuck Mathis, and Mike Prater were named tri-captains for the Lions this season.

"We need to keep everyone loose," Mathis said. "A lot of people on the team become friends, and it helps us play closer together."

Prater, a senior midfielder, said both Northeast and Rolla have a strong offensive line, good ball control, and passing.

"Our strengths are in conditioning," Prater said. "We're not a fast team; we have above average speed and size-wise we're very small. But I would look for some low scoring games [this weekend]."

Southern will travel to play the University of Arkansas-Little Rock at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 8.



'Outta my way old man'

Chuck Mathis, senior tri-captain of the Soccer Lions, attempts to get the edge on alumnus George Major when the team took on the soccer alumni on Aug. 25.

STAFF PHOTO BY NICK COBLE

Rogers' ascension to minors finds him making changes

BY ROD SHETLER
STAFF WRITER

What a difference a year makes. Last year first baseman Danny Rogers was working out with his Missouri Southern teammates in fall practice sessions. Now he is the starting first baseman for the Niagara Falls (N.Y.) Rapids, a Class A affiliate of the Detroit Tigers.

"It's about what I expected it would be," said Rogers. "It's going to take some adjustments. Right now I'm just really tired from playing everyday. I have really learned a lot this summer."

After 196 at-bats, Rogers is hitting .209 with eight home runs and 31 RBIs.

"I know my batting average is low, but this isn't the majors," he said. "Nobody hits .300 here. Our team batting average right now is .217. You are considered to be a good hitter if you can hit .270."

Even with the low batting average Rogers is among the New York-Pennsylvania League leaders in home

runs and RBIs.

Rogers, who would have been a senior at Southern this year, received a surprise this summer when he learned Detroit had drafted him.

"The entire time I thought it would be the [Texas] Rangers who would sign me. The Rangers called and said they were going to sign me in the first 10 rounds. They said when they did they would call me. They never called, and I figured I hadn't been signed. Then Detroit called and said I had been taken in the eighth round."

There were many transitions for Rogers going from the college level to the minor league system.

"The change to wooden bats was pretty hard. At the beginning of the season we were having morning drills and taking a lot of batting practice. My hands were blistered constantly, all over. I finally got rid of those, but I probably broke a dozen bats in the first few days down here."

Playing everyday as opposed to having two or three days off between games is another adjustment for Rogers to make.

"Playing everyday you get down sometimes and there's nobody there to pick you up," said Rogers. "Our manager is a Dominican, and he doesn't communicate very well at times."

Anyone who follows baseball has heard the horror stories of life in the minor leagues. Rogers says it hasn't been too horrible yet.

"I think it is a little bit better than what is shown on television and in the movies. It really is a lot like the movie *Bull Durham*; it is really pretty accurate. We've got a pretty nice bus so the trips aren't too bad. The hotels are really nice. We get \$10 everyday for meal money and \$800 per month."

The hope of every minor league player is to eventually move up, closer to the major league level. Rogers says he won't know where he will be next year until after spring training.

"At our spring training there will probably be 12 first basemen from all over the Tigers' minor league system," he said.

Lady Lions to make minor adjustments

BY BRYAN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Pleased with the progress the Lady Lions volleyball team has made, Coach Debbie Traywick said only a few minor adjustments must be made.

Traywick said she was "impressed with their total overall performance" during an intra-squad scrimmage Aug. 26. She only foresees two problems—timing and defense.

"These things will work out after the girls play with each other a little more," Traywick said.

Traywick said she blames last season's problems on a lack of depth. The team has gained strength and speed, adding five freshmen, led by 6-foot-1 Lori Fausett, who provides some needed height.

Traywick said freshmen Michelle Dixon (5-11), Sheri Haynes (5-8), Kelly Konkol (5-9), and Amy Stratton (5-9) also will challenge the returning players for starting positions.

The Lady Lions, slated to take ninth in last year's season-ending MIAA Championships, exceeded those expectations by finishing in a

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—Debbie Traywick, volleyball coach

With six returning players, including five starters, the team will have a strong nucleus to start the year. Returnees include sophomores Danielle Bishop, Anna Huerta, and Gina Marshall; juniors Missy Beveridge and Nico Cockrell; and senior Marion Hatten.

Last year's squad began the season by winning its first two matches and five of its first seven, including three in the MSSC Invitational Tournament.

The season went downhill from there, however, as the team lost 14 straight and 20 of 21 matches. The Lady Lions split their remaining matches to finish the season 9-25 overall.

tie for fifth place.

The team is striving to end the upcoming season in the top three.

"It's a goal that we can reach," Beveridge said.

"The team was pushing to be the best that they could be," added Hatten.

The Lady Lions will open the season Tuesday with a 7 p.m. road match against the University of Tulsa. Their first home game is Sept. 14-15 when they host the MSSC Pro-Am Invitational.

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Sand volleyball among activities on tap for fall intramural program

BY DANNY WILSON
STAFF WRITER

Among the new faces of students and staff pouring into Missouri Southern for classes this fall is that of the new director of pool, racquetball courts and intramural sports.

Diana Wilson, a swimming and physical education instructor, came to Southern from Lomoni, Iowa in January to be with her husband Mike Wilson, the assistant football

coach.

Wilson said she is excited about her job, "I am really enjoying what I am doing right now. It's definitely a new challenge, and I think it's going to be fun."

A new activity planned for intramural sports is three-on-three volleyball. A sand court is currently being prepared behind the residence halls.

The former director, Carl Cromer, is now in Overland Park, Kan., where he serves as the assistant

superintendent of Johnson County Recreation.

Wilson has three children, Brett, 11, Kyle, 7, and Teyoni, 4.

Her educational background includes a bachelor of science in education from Northwest Missouri State University with a major in physical education and a minor in health education. Her masters degree, also received at NMSU, was in physical education.



ROD SHETLER

Expect 7-2 mark from grid Lions

Football is here. Yeah, I know it's 120 degrees outside, and at last report the temperature on the Hughes Stadium turf looked more like an area-code than a heat index. But when Sept. 8 rolls around it will be a very talented and confident Southern team that takes the field against the Southeast Missouri State Indians.

This is the third season I have been able to watch and follow Lion football. In those first two years, there were so many distractions of varying kinds off the field that the games sometimes seemed to take a backseat.

The 1988 season was highlighted (or more accurately, lowlighted) by the hasty and unexpected departure of first-year head coach Charley Wade just three weeks before his first game. This took everybody's attention (especially the players) off whom ever their first opponent was going to be and had everyone guessing who was even going to be the head coach.

The team finished the season with a disappointing record of 3-7. Considering the adversity the team went through, the outcome of the season was not nearly as bad as it could have been.

Interim coach Bill Cooke performed as well as could be expected after being thrown into the fire at the beginning of the season.

In 1989 all eyes were on new head coach Jon Lantz. The change of attitude and the turnaround the team made upon Lantz's arrival was one of the biggest stories of the season.

Things began to go better than even the truest Southern fan could imagine. Everything was too perfect. A team which had been picked to do nothing was coming together and winning some tough games. Then all of a sudden it all came to a screeching halt.

We were all given a dose of reality and reminded just how insignificant a sport is when faced with life or death as four players were involved in a serious car accident. This gutsy team came back, persevered, and still finished the bittersweet season with a much-improved 6-4 mark.

As this season begins, the emphasis so far is on football—nothing else. There have been no coaching changes, no scandalous stories, just the first game on Sept. 8. That is exactly why I believe expectations have a right to run high for the Lions to pick up where they left off last season.

Two extremely talented quarterbacks in sophomore Matt Cook and junior Rod Smith are competing for the top spot. Either of the two would make a good starting quarterback for most teams.

Southern is very fortunate to have so much depth at such a key position. One of the biggest pluses for the Lions this season is the return of the coaching staff; namely Jon Lantz. He got the best out of the players last year, and things are only going to keep improving.

Finally, the attitude of the football team is at an all-time high. After a surprising last season and a fourth-place pick in the 1990 MIAA pre-season poll, the Lions will be a force to be reckoned with by other MIAA foes.

As far as a prediction goes, I will go out on a limb and say, barring a major catastrophe (something that has not been a stranger in recent football seasons), this Southern football team is capable of putting up a record of 7-2. I can almost smell a major upset coming on the Nov. 10 home game against Pittsburg State.

The Southern football team has shown determination and character through all the adversity of recent years, giving truth to the old saying, "Tough times don't last, but tough people do."

ATHLETICS 1990

VOLLEYBALL

Sept. 4	University of Tulsa
Sept. 7-8	UMSL
Sept. 12	School of the Ozarks
Sept. 14-15	MSSC Pro-Am Invt.
Sept. 21-22	MIAA Match Play
Sept. 25	Drury College
Oct. 5-6	Mo. Western Invitational
Oct. 9	University of Tulsa
Oct. 12-13	Emporia State

1989 Records

Home: 3-4
Away: 2-3
Neutral: 4-18
Overall: 9-25

Head Coach: Debbie Traywick

(Partial Schedule)
All home games are in bold.

SOCCER

Sept. 1-2	NEMSU Gardner Cup
Sept. 8	Univ. of Ark. Little Rock
Sept. 11	Bethel College
Sept. 12	UMSL
Sept. 14	Newman College
Sept. 17	Mo. Valley College
Sept. 25	Oklahoma Christian
Sept. 30	St. Mary of the Plains
Oct. 3	UMKC

1989 Records

Home: 3-4
Away: 2-3
Overall: 9-25

Head Coach: Scott Poertner

(Partial Schedule)
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FOOTBALL

Sept. 8	SEMO
Sept. 15	NWMSU
Sept. 22	Washburn Univ.
Sept. 29	NEMSU
Oct. 6	Mo. Western*
Oct. 13	Southwest Baptist
Oct. 20	CMSU
Nov. 3	UMR
Nov. 10	Pittsburg State

1989 Records

Home: 4-2-1
Away: 5-3-1
Neutral: 2-1-0
Overall: 11-6-2

Head Coach: Jon Lantz

All home games are in bold.

INTRAMURALS

TENNIS	
Sign-ups:	Aug. 20-31
Tournament:	Sept. 4-7
RACQUETBALL	
Sign-ups:	Sept. 4
League:	Sept. 9-Dec. 9
GOLF	
Sign-ups:	Aug. 27
League:	Sept. 5-Oct. 10
VOLLEYBALL	
Sign-ups:	Aug. 27-Sept. 7
Tournament:	Sept. 11-27
FOOTBALL	
Sign-ups:	Sept. 13-27
Season:	Oct. 2-25

For more information regarding intramurals contact:
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Global awareness

Students should be prepared, say College officials

Preparing students for the global marketplace that awaits them after graduation is a primary concern of College President Julio Leon as he steers Southern's new international mission.

Leon introduced the idea of a globally aware campus during a June 15 meeting of the Board of Regents. Many agree that his ideas are ambitious, but to Leon there is no alternative.

"The 21st century is already here," he said. "We have to prepare our students to deal with a global environment. Hopefully, it will permeate in everything that we teach in the classroom. We think we are on the right track."

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To fit the College's international mission, Leon has plans to implement several components of a global focus, including:

- A curriculum with global perspectives;
- Additional foreign language courses;
- International student and faculty exchanges;
- International conferences, lecture series, and international cultural events;
- Collaboration with public and private schools and community colleges;
- Promotion of international trade and relations.

Making the College distinct on state and national levels is a goal of Leon, whose desk is filled with suggestions from faculty and staff on how the mission might best be served.

"I am getting suggestions from everywhere. The faculty and staff

seem to be really enthusiastic. They are excited about the potential of this international mission."

It is unclear whether the College's new international bent is being felt by students in their classes. Already, many classes are offered by different departments which deal with international themes, so questions of how much more international flavor the College can bring to its classrooms may arise. However, Leon is confident that one day every course on campus will somehow reflect the new mission.

"I would like to see maps of the world in every classroom, pictures of different parts of the world in hallways," he said. "It is obvious now

that this campus has a different dimension to its education. The students are going to be the beneficiaries of this. It (global awareness) is an important dimension in everybody's life. This is a way of making our institution distinct."

"The rest of the colleges may be thinking about 1990. With this approach, we will already be in the year 2000."

Faculty anticipation about the implementation of an international mission is high. Dr. Conrad Gubera, professor of sociology, finds the mission move ambitious, considering the locale of the College.

"I think it's an extremely bold move for an exceptionally provincial area like southwest Missouri," said Gubera. "We get an awful lot of students who haven't been anywhere whose ideas are local. It's bold when you consider who we are and where we are."



In 1988, Gubera pressed the College to increase the requirement for international studies from three credit hours to at least six, but a proposal to do that failed to get the approval of the Academic Policies Committee. Nevertheless, Gubera said he is happy with this latest development to change the College's educational approach and said the time has come for such a change.

"In the end of it, my children will have the opportunity to travel outside of the Joplin area," Gubera said, "and if we haven't given them the education to support that then we have failed in our mission as an academic college."

As is sometimes the case when an institution makes such a move, questions of money and motives almost always arise. Gubera is somewhat

skeptical of the new mission, saying "Whether or not this is a cosmetic change is yet to be seen."

Leon said he has no plans to use the international mission as an impetus for the College to become a university, saying "A good case can be made for not even wanting to offer a graduate program."

"We want to say that Missouri Southern is an excellent college and

the new approach will make it an outstanding undergraduate institution. We are not using it as a means to get other things. It's not a means, but instead an end to itself. We are doing it because it has got to be done."

A slightly revised mission statement that will reflect the new global focus is expected to be approved by the Board of Regents next month.

Foreign languages should see more courses next semester

With Russian and Arabic in the works, others could follow soon

Though full implementation of the College's international mission will not be complete for some time, students could see immediate changes in at least one area, foreign languages.

According to Richard Massa, head of the department of communications, there is a possibility that Russian and Arabic could be taught as early as the spring semester.

"Goals need to be set now for where we plan to be in 10 years," Massa said. "One of these goals, if not the dominant goal, will be the foreign language aspect."

Massa said he is "fairly confident" that Russian will be offered on Tuesday evenings next semester. Massa also said he is "positive" that Arabic will be offered next semester, though the time of the class is uncertain. Massa expects the classes to be approved by the Academic Policies Committee in September.

Currently, Massa is working on finding instructors to teach Chinese and Japanese. Syllabi have been designed for the courses, but Massa is uncertain as to how soon the languages can be offered. Problems with finding "quality" instructors is hampering efforts to finalize the class proposals.

"To find quality people is not easy," Massa said.

In total, the communications department will send 34 foreign language proposals to Academic Policies, which seems to send a message to the committee that the department is serious about helping the College become internationally focused.

"We've been talking about adding languages for several years," said Dr. Allen Merriam, professor of communications. "The timing seems ripe for actually doing it. It's pretty exciting to think that in a couple of years we'll be offering as many as eight different languages."

The department now offers Spanish, German, and Latin courses. A Latin course started this semester.

Pending approval by Academic Policies, according to Massa, the department hopes to offer Beginning I, Beginning II, Intermediate I and Intermediate II courses for each language. Also, language courses will be reduced from five credit-hour classes to three credit hours, a move Massa believes might stimulate more interest in foreign languages.

"We feel that some students that are not required to take a foreign language will find it easier to sample it and find it easier to do so," he said. "It will make foreign languages more attractive to people."

The move to three credit-hour

beginning courses also would reduce the foreign language requirement for communications majors from 13 to 12 hours.

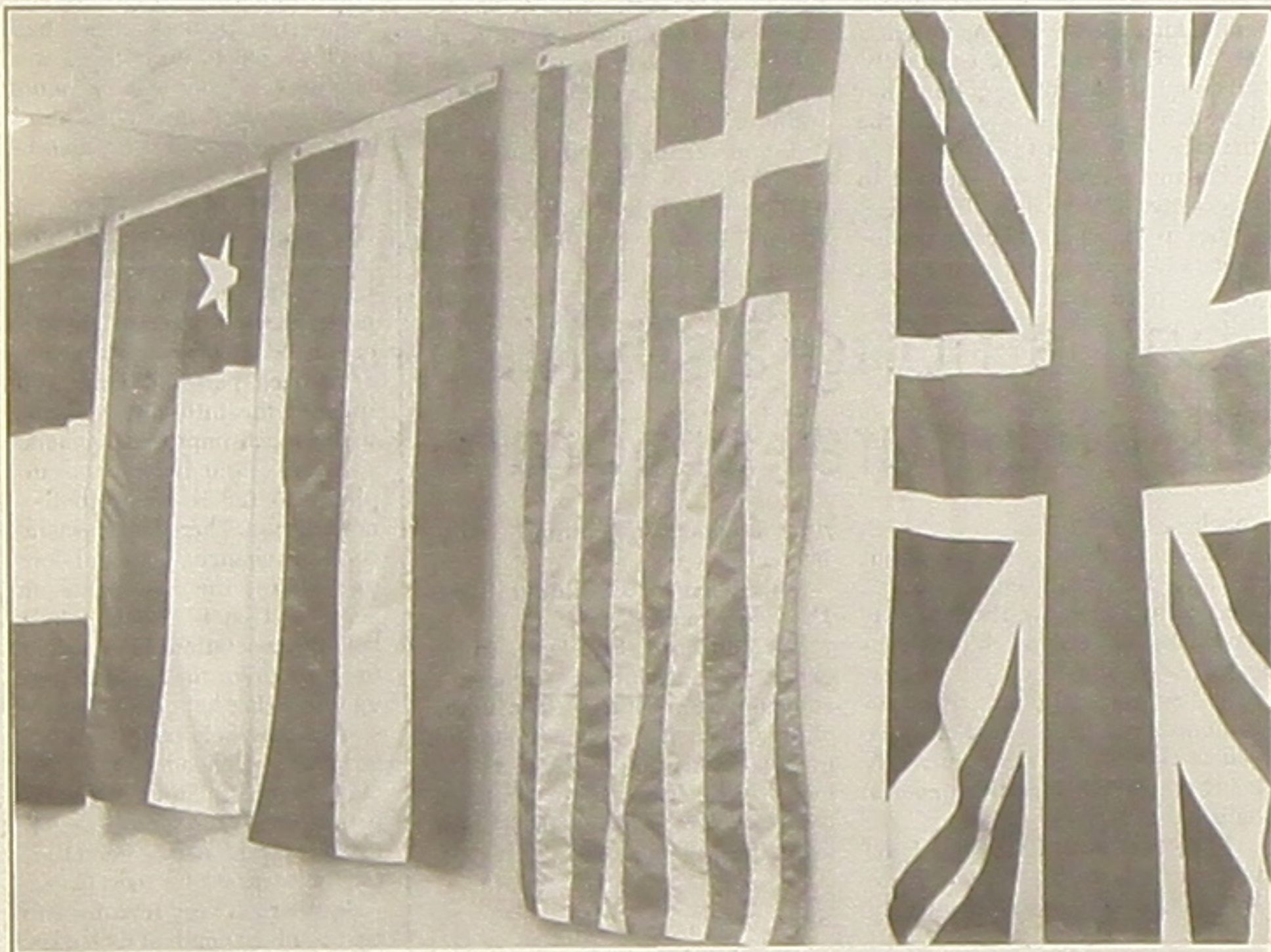
The department already offers courses in International Communications and Intercultural Communications, taught by Merriam. He is optimistic about the College's move to an international focus.

"I think it's important because of the shrinking global village that we are in," he said. "The world is really one huge interconnected system."

"It's important to have that kind of global perspective so that we are aware of the interconnectedness of things. By learning about other cultures and peoples, we can enrich ourselves and our own appreciation for the diversity of life is enhanced."

Merriam would like to see more student exchanges, and especially the addition of more international students on campus.

"To really implement this (the College's international mission), we might consider expanding the number of international students on our campus that would add enrichment to the classroom experience," he said. "When you are sitting next to someone from India or China or wherever, you get a better feel for it."



World flags

The flags (left to right) of France, Chile, Netherlands, Greece, and Great Britain hang among other banners on the third floor of the Billingsly Student Center.

Global market makes new mission important to school of business

American business employees of the future must be globally aware if they want to succeed, and the College's new international mission is a step in the right direction, says a business instructor.

Brad Kleindl, director of the entrepreneurship center since 1986, believes the new emphasis placed on international awareness is a good move, and says the school of business is doing its part to help students open their eyes to the world outside the United States.

"Our role is to help the school reach its goal of making people globally aware," said Kleindl, who teaches two International Business classes this semester. "Also, our Small Business Development Center helps people who are looking to get them-

selves involved in international trade. We're also structured to help people with exporting and importing."

There has been a shift in the operations of domestic companies who deal in the global marketplace, according to Kleindl, as most U.S.-based businesses are no longer "Americans selling to foreigners but selling to everyone on an equal basis."

"What's happening currently is that businesses are growing from being simply American companies that import and export to being global companies," he said. "Now, a company views itself as headquartered in one country but equally represented in every country that it operates."

This new attitude is forcing students to learn more about global markets, learn one or more foreign

language, and travel abroad to get a feel for business across American borders and overseas, said Kleindl.

"Our students who will be working for these companies will have to be able to understand what it means to operate in a global marketplace," he said.

Ethnocentricity and ignorance of how businesses operate domestically and internationally is something the business school is hoping to eliminate, and Kleindl noted that some of the Joplin area's larger businesses, such as FAG Bearings, Able Body, and Atlas Powder compete on an international level.

"Businesses, large and small, are

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On Nov. 30, 1989, Missouri Gov. John Ashcroft spoke to a group of higher education administrators at a conference in Kansas City. Ashcroft challenged at least one state college or university to tackle an international mission. A sampling of his remarks:

“We have some examples of distinctive missions: the University of Missouri-Rolla, with its science and engineering emphasis; Northeast Missouri State University, with its liberal arts emphasis; and Harris-Stowe State College with its teacher-education emphasis—but many other possibilities exist.”

“For example, which Missouri institution might dare to develop a strong international emphasis that would permeate the entire institution?”

Stories by Christopher Clark